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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified, enclosed patent application as follows:

#### IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 25 as rewritten below:

- A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said control
  means is arranged to control the signal level of the transmitted signal to be one
  of only two levels, the initially relatively low level and the increased level.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said signal level is initially at a starting level and is increased to the relatively low level.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said starting point is no signal.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said signal level is increased until a connection is established with said another party.

- 13. A communications device as claimed in claim 9, wherein attenuation of the received signal level is decreased until a connection is established with said another party.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 9, wherein no attenuation is applied to the received signals when a connection has been established.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said control means comprises an attenuator.
- 18. A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein when a plurality of another parties are provided, said communications device is arranged to establish a connection with the closest another party.
- 19. A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said communications device is one of the following devices: point of sale device; ticket gate device; and information kiosk; ATM.
- 20. A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said connection with said another party is a wireless connection.
- 25. A communications device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said another party is a mobile telephone.

# REMARKS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (as amended on 11/7/2000) the rewritten claim(s) above are shown on separate page(s) marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of that section.

Respectfully submitted,

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## MARKED UP CLAIM(S)

- 3. A communications device as claimed in claim 1-or-2, wherein said control means is arranged to control the signal level of the transmitted signal to be one of only two levels, the initially relatively low level and the increased level.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 1—or—2, wherein said signal level is initially at a starting level and is increased to the relatively low level.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said starting point is no signal.
- A communications device as claimed in claim 1,-2, 4-or-5; wherein said signal level is increased until a connection is established with said another party.
- 13. A communications device as claimed in claim 9, 11 or 12, wherein attenuation of the received signal level is decreased until a connection is established with said another party.
- 16. A communications device as claimed in any of claims 940-15, wherein no attenuation is applied to the received signals when a connection has been established.
- 17. A communications device as claimed in any preceding claimclaim 1,

- A communications device as claimed in any preceding elaimclaim 1, wherein said control means comprises an attenuator.
- 18. A communications device as claimed in any preceding-elaimclaim 1, wherein when a plurality of another parties are provided, said communications device is arranged to establish a connection with the closest another party.
- 19. A communications device as claimed in any preceding claimclaim 1, wherein said communications device is one of the following devices: point of sale device; ticket gate device; and information kiosk; ATM.
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